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Fatal Accident at Parmigan Mines

Thos. Howes Killed and E. Prudhomme Injured by Explosion in a Missed-hole.

"Tommy Howes has been all blown to pieces and another man seriously injured at the Parmigan Mines!" was the startling news that was heard early New Year's morning. It spread rapidly throughout the valley, for Tommy was well-known and held in high esteem and it cast a deep gloomy shadow over the dawning of the New Year.

The sad intelligence was brought from the mine by the arrival in Wilmer of T. H. Taylor, John Williamson and D. Borjoli, accompanied by Dr. R. Elliot who they had met en route to the mine. They brought with them the mangled body of Thomas Howes and the injured miner, E. Prudhomme, and drove directly to the Hospital. In answer to the enquiry of how it happened the same was given as has been given concerning thousands of other miners—"A missed hole."

It was a terrible sight that was presented to the sorrowing friends. The explosion had killed Tommy Howes instantly. His head was blown off from the lower jaw, sloping to the back to his head; only one or two teeth being left in the front and a portion of the lower jaw. Rock or steel had penetrated his body in several places leaving three ugly gaping wounds, and to the knees the whole body was frightfully lacerated and blackened with powder.

Eli Prudhomme also presented a hard and pitiable sight. His face and head were blackened with powder and badly swollen, but his eyes were the only part of him dangerously injured, yet when the bandages were removed and the lids raised he said he could see a little.

The accident happened about 11 o'clock New Year's Eve, in the upper tunnel of Red Line claim, where the two men were working with a drilling machine, when the drill struck a missed-hole with the results already stated.

Dr. Elliot, coroner, had an inquest on Friday evening, when Messrs. W. S. Kuttan, G. A. Stacker, R. S. Gallop, H. L. Amos, R. A. Power and W. P. Evans, foreman, were fully sworn as jurors, and from the evidence taken the particulars are best learned.

Eli Prudhomme, the injured miner, in effect said that on the morning of Dec. 30th Thomas Howes and he had finished shooting and he reported to Jack Harris and Arthur Taggart, who worked the next shift, that they were short one worker. Witnesses and Howes were informed that night by Harris and Taggart that one burnt hole and one missed hole had been found and shot. That night, the 30th, there was not much air and he and Howes stood around for three or four hours waiting for air and spent the time working the machine and examining the face of the tunnel, talking of the hard rock. They examined well around the missed hole but could see nothing but rock and dirt. They quit work that night about 3:30 a.m., on account of the air and were followed again by Harris and Taggart. On the night of the 31st they went on shift as usual and put in a hale on right hand side half-supper. They started another hole which was hard to start and they got another starter. The air was turned on lightly but when they struck the hole the drill started full blast, and the explosion occurred. Witness was thrown back about 20 feet. He got up and sluff off the air and shouted to his partner, but getting no reply went out of the tunnel crawling feet first down the slippery trail about 200 feet to the tunnel below

he told his friend D. Borjoli to go up and see if his partner was dead, as he could not see anything, who at once went up to the scene of the accident and returned saying that my partner was dead. Witness said he did not blame anyone for the accident. He could not even blame himself as all the reports had been heard and he had examined the ground well. He and his partner were the last to use powder and he thought the other shots must have blown part of the missed-hole off and the cap went off after it had fallen.

Thomas Borjoli in his evidence said he and Eli Prudhomme were busy with machine in lower tunnel and when they stopped to change drills he heard a voice call him by name. He ran about 75 feet, where he found E. Prudhomme badly burned and took him into the dry house. Told six partners to run down the hill and get all the men and blankets he could as the injured man said he thought Howes had been killed. Seeing witness could not find Prudhomme he went to upper tunnel to find Howes. He ran down tunnel and found several bad holes of his head to make sure he was dead.

The evidence of Eric Sandhu was very similar to that of his partner, D. Borjoli. Chase Seifert, foreman at the mine, gave evidence which for the most was about the same as the other witnesses. He said that in the morning of the 29th Howes and Prudhomme blasted 15 or 17 holes. He explained that it was usual to blast half the holes at a time, first those known as the "cutters and lifers" and afterwards the "breast and back" holes, also that in loading a hole the cap was put in about a foot and the line cut in different lengths so as to allow time between each shot that the mine might count the shots. He said that the mine reported one report shot in the first half, but had heard all the reports in the second half, where the accident occurred. Harris and Taggart did not shout any in lower holes, but shot one in upper that had previously missed fire. He said Howes and Prudhomme should have been able to see the face the powder was in if it was not covered with dirt, but sometimes it was hard to see a missed-hole. He explained that in drilling the holes were made in different directions in order to break the rock in the most effective manner and thus it was they had struck the missed-hole, but had they drilled an inch or two further away the accident might have been avoided. He said it was not customary to depend on shift reports, but the men should look to see that all the powder was discharged. He said it was impossible to account for the missed-hole but he could tell how it might be accounted for. He thought it likely that the top of the hole containing cap had blown out off by the discharge of powder above it and that the cap went off after it had landed on the floor, which gave the men their full count. He said E. Prudhomme was an experienced machine man and that T. Howes was a good miner and although he had only worked on a machine a short time he was doing good work. As was customary he had the experienced man operating the machine and the beginner attending to the drills.

The jury gave their opinion that the deceased, Thomas Howes, met his death accidentally and that no blame could be attached to any person.

The funeral of Thomas Howes took place on Saturday and was attended by the largest number of people that ever

gathered for a similar purpose here. About 11 o'clock the long procession left the Windermere District Hospital in Wilmer and proceeded to Windermere, where Mr. Smyth conducted the beautiful English church service in the church, which was draped for the occasion. Then the procession wound its way to the little graveyard on the hill overlooking the lake and there laid to rest the remains of the departed young miner, whose life and departure will long be remembered throughout this district. The chief mourner was the deceased's brother, Sumner Howes, who is the only near relative in this country and being a young man about 19 has the sympathy of the entire community in his great bereavement.

Thomas Howes was born in Jamaica on the 12th of October, 1889, and passed examinations for the civil service quite young. He leaves to mourn his loss, besides the brother here, a brother in Boston, and two sisters, his mother and grandfather in Jamaica. He also has an aunt in Ottawa, Mrs. E. J. Walsh. He came to Fort Steele about six years ago with Mr. E. J. Walsh and began mining for time and lost himself in time. He was a very steady young man and for 18 months he worked for R. S. Gallop on the World's Fair practically without a break. Since then he had worked steadily at the Red Line for about 18 months, with only a few days off and at his death had held his position longer than any man employed on the property.

Eli Prudhomme, who was injured in the explosion, is improving rapidly under Dr. Elliot's care and will again have the use of that last one of his eyes, but it is very doubtful about the other.

He is a French-Canadian and once a farm hand in Montreal, where he has a wife and one child. The case was a rare money to pay a debt of his firm of about \$300, which, under the present circumstances it is pleasing to state, he has already accomplished and besides had nearly \$100 in his possession when he reached town. He came here from British last summer and worked on the Spring creek road until it was completed, where he had been placed in charge of the powder owing to his carelessness in handling it. He had worked only a short time at the Parmigan.

Later—Since the above was put in type it is learned that E. Prudhomme can now see with both of his eyes and that he will have the use of his right eye, but that he is now suffering with pneumonia.

They tell you that Death's at the turn of the road,
That under the shade of a cypress you'll find him,
And, struggling on wearily, lashed by the god
Of pain, you will enter the black mist behind him,
I can walk with you up to the ridge of the hill,
And we'll talk of the way we have come through the valley;
Down below there a bird breaks into a cry,
And a groaning slave bends to the ear of his gully.
You are up on the heights now, you pity the slave—
"There's a howl late lashed him on at his gully!"
Yet it's joyful to live, and it's hard to be brave

When you watch the sun sink and the daylight is going.
We are almost there—our last walk on this light—
I must bid you goodbye at the cross on the mountain.
See the sun glowing red, and the pulsing light
Fill the valley, and rise like the flood in a fountain!
And it shines in your face and illumines your soul—
We are comrades as ever, right here at your going!
You may rest if you will within sight of the goal,
While I must return to my car and the rowing.
You will call to me once, from the mist, on the verge,
"A revoir!" and "Good night!" while the twilight is creeping
Up luminous peaks, and the pale stars emerge?
Yet I hear your faint voice: "This is rest, and like sleeping!"

DISTRICT CROPPINGS

And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

It never to advertise in The Outcrop. Sinclair Craig went down to Golden last week.

The Golden people expect to see Stars, tomorrow on Saturday.

S. Brown, of Fairmont, was said to be quite ill with la grippe last week.

H. E. Forter came up from Portland Tuesday and went over to Canterbury to put his livestock in shipshape.

Mrs. R. W. Palmer and children, of Revelstoke, arrived in Windermere on Monday to visit relatives.

English church services are held in Wilmer every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Mr. E. A. Smyth, excepting the first Sunday in each month when it is held at 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

While sailing his lobster on Monday afternoon Joe Lewis met with an accident. The boat was going at fair speed when it struck an air hole in the ice, throwing Joe off the boat and in some way he was struck behind the ear and remained senseless for sometime. Dr. Elliot was sent for but found that he was not seriously injured. Joe has discovered that there are worse things to ride than a bucking cowboy.

Messrs. Paulin and Laithlaw have made a trip from Port Steele to Golden to size up the country as to where they would build the Kootenay Central railway in which they are interested. The air was full of rumors as to what they had said and done last week, but as they could not tell very much about the country in such a hurried trip little attention should be given these rumors. Nevertheless, it is evident that they mean to do all they can to get the work on the road started next spring.

Mr. R. B. Bruce showed a reporter a couple of unique Christmas presents received from Mr. Lauchlin Curran, of New York, who is interested in the Parmigan Mines here. The present is in the shape of a paperknife, and is made of gold, silver and copper, the metals being extracted from the ore of the Parmigan Mines and run together, giving a very pretty appearance. Mr. Bruce's initials are on it in raised gold letters and naturally he prizes it very highly. This accounts for the ore shipped from here to New York some months ago.

If you want bargains in investments, call on Estabrook or write for information.

An editor who knows whereof he speaks is responsible for the following: "Torn killers are classified into eight punches as follows: 1. Those who go out of town to do their shopping. 2. Those who are opposed to improvements. 3. Those who prefer a quiet town to one of push and business. 4. Those who imagine they own the town. 5. Those who deride public-spirited men. 6. Those who oppose every movement that does not originate with them. 7. Those who oppose any movements that does not appear to benefit them. 8. Those who seek to injure the credit or reputation of individuals."—Caribaid Current.

Life in the mines and mountains is one of blood, and every year since the Shear was opened to the drill and hammer some souls have gone over the edge of oblivion by the snowslide route. The fatality at the Molly Gibson mine on Christmas night was the most deadly in its effect upon human life of all the slides that have happened in these parts. A score of men were asleep in the bank house. Far from town, high above the safety line they lay dreaming of home and those who loved them. A roar, and a flash of white in a dark night, and hearts are breaking while beneath the beautiful but merciless snow many a strong man's life goes out to the great camp beyond death's divide. These highland accidents stand out as bad as snow and slide and men work in the mountains they will be. The elements are cruel, and have no sympathy for the working widow or fatherless child.—Leitch.

Golden Nuggets

(From Our Dan Correspondent.)

Golden, Jan. 3.
Subscriber for The Outcrop.

The year 1903 was a brighter one than usual in Golden from a business standpoint. It is expected that the present year will prove even more successful and that by the end of 1903 all the improvements will have taken place.

We are pleased to see our genial sheriff again, having recovered from a severe attack of la grippe.

Rev. Father's gave a farewell service to his congregation New Year's Day in the Roman Catholic church. Father's is leaving shortly for Rome, and will be away about four months. The best wishes of the community go with him.

Captain Armstrong spent a few days in Calgary this week, returning to town yesterday.

Mrs. Rose of Kamloops is the guest of her mother, Mrs. H. R. Moodie.

The building of the Laborers Cooperative Mining Co., west of the Columbia House, is being rapidly completed and presents quite a fine appearance.

Monday night the Masonic Lodge met in their lodge room at the Alexander Hall and held the annual meeting for installation of officers, and afterwards had a supper in the Kootenay House, which proved a very successful affair.

A. L. McKay and A. Ritchie came to Golden this week with 80 head of cattle for P. Burns and Co.

A number of ranchers from the Upper Country are in town today, among them are T. Allen, W. Smith and W. Montgomery.

Mrs. Barry, of Spillanachene, is the guest of her sister Mrs. J. G. Cluck.

The "Golden Star" will be published on the 9th of January.

On Tuesday the Methodist Sunday school children were given a sleigh ride and also saw a tree and Christmas tree in the church. The entertainment given by the children was very good, especially the drills.

Mrs. R. W. Fatmire leaves in the morning for Windermere.

ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S BALL

A Grand Success and Attendance Large

The New Year's Eve dance held in the Altamira Hall was even a greater success than was anticipated. This is their third annual ball and each one has been successful, as, indeed, is every dance the Altamira people undertake to give. The hall was prettily decorated for the occasion and the music provided by Prof. and Mrs. Harrison was excellent. Mr. Gallop and Mrs. G. Chamberlain also assisted with the music for a time and were much appreciated. The object of the dance was entirely to have a good time and all joined in heartily to attain the desired object—and if one may judge by the looks and expressions of the pleasure-seekers they certainly accomplished the desired object. As the last fleeting moments of the year 1902 sped by everyone clapped the hands of their neighbors and unitedly sang, "Auld Lang Syne," and then followed a spell of handshaking and New Year's greetings. A good supper was supplied, after which dancing was continued until 2:30 a.m. Among those who were in attendance were the following:

LADIES.
Messrs. Taggart, Wilfred, Matheson, E. Robertson, Shaw, Burt, J. Robertson, and Colton.

MALE.
Madames Bulman, W. Taggart, J. Taggart, A. Taggart, W. Taggart, Power, Gallop, Lake, Martin, M. Cameron, G. Chamberlain, Evans, W. Chamberlain, Davis, Lewis, Harrison and J. Kimpton.

OFFICERS.
Messrs. J. Bulman, J. Taggart, F. Kimpton, W. Stroud, F. Nickelson, S. Houston, M. Cameron, Martin, L. Bulman, R. Houston, J. Fraser, W. Taggart, F. Morrison, J. Taggart, Rose, J. Lake, C. Taggart, C. Taggart, H. Bulman, R. S. Gallop, R. A. Power, W. S. Kuttan, A. R. Yates, F. Larmour, W. Chamberlain, J. Davis, J. Stevenson, G. Rose, G. Chamberlain, H. Mason, W. Harrison, A. Ritchie, E. J. Scott.

TELEGRAPHING

Office is Opened in Wilmer

THE OUTCROP's second serial entitled "Telegraphing Line" is ended and the office in Wilmer opened for business by Mr. Power Tuesday afternoon, when the first message was sent congratulating Mr. Galilher, M. P., by Mr. Bruce, it took a long time to get the line first to Windermere and another long time thence to Wilmer, but by the persistent efforts of the people here and Mr. Galilher's assistance it has been accomplished, notwithstanding an aggressive opposition. The telephone service has not been cut off but is used on the same wire. We hope to print telegraphic news daily hereafter.

John H. Almon, who had his leg broken at Fairlands three weeks ago, left yesterday for his home in Missawau, S. W. T.

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W. P. EVANS,

Publisher and Proprietor.

WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, JAN. 7, 1903.

During the year 1901 mine machinery valued at \$1,535,225 was imported into Canada free of duty, and for the first nine months of last year the free imports amounted to \$904,267.

The prospects for prosperity were never so bright as they are at present in the Windermere. The steady employment of every available man for many months past gave encouragement to every one and the wave of prosperity has been beneficial in that the news of its good effects has reached other less favored district and is arresting the attention of mining men. The best of it all is the fact that this activity is only the preliminary work for that which will follow immediately. The two principal mines have been merely preparing for their work. The Paradise mine now have its road built, and are hauling down ore and employ a full force of men. The Ptarmigan Mines employ a good force and the machine drills work steadily and ore is coming down the hill. Several other properties are being worked on a smaller scale with good results—the Windermere is all right.

The Cranbrook Herald published an interesting Xmas number, which is illustrated with a number of good cut-fully printed, and the production is a credit to that paper. Chas. Estmere, C.E., of Wilmer, supplies an instructive article on the Windermere District, which we print in another column; but the heading which the Herald has over it is a little misleading, it reads, "A Rich Mineral Country Without Transportation." As a matter of fact the Windermere District has good transportation while navigation lasts, which is always six months out of the year and frequently longer; indeed, it is very doubtful if transportation will be any cheaper even when we have railway communication, so far as ore is concerned. At present ore from any point on Columbia river is loaded on cars at Golden for \$2.50 per ton, a distance, by the river, of about 100 miles. The point we wish to draw attention to and impress upon likely investors is that facilities for the transportation of ore from this district are good and that the charges will compare favorably with any other new district in B.C. At the same time we look anxiously to the time when we will have a railway and it will not be a long wait either. Mr. Estmere is right and the cost of hauling from the mines to the river is high at present.

An examination of the mines in North East Kootenay should be sufficient to satisfy the most skeptical that the liberal investment of capital is necessary to create El Dorados from which rich mines could easily be made, and the progress made during the past year is ample evidence to reason on.

Early in the history of mining here, in fact in all Kootenay the same applies, mining progress and development were retarded by the enormous values placed upon properties. But that objection is now removed, and capital is no longer barred out by exorbitant prices for ground to operate upon. The genuine prospector is seldom guilty of this breach of business sagacity. More often by far it is the small investor who grubstakes the prospector or buys his findings for a song, that seeks to realize an abnormal price from the capitalist and succeeds in driving money into a more congenial atmosphere. The average price of mining claims, based upon location, surface showings and prospective values, is not too high now.

It is only when capital is attracted to a locality by strong incentives to invest, that advantage is taken of the situation until high prices for raw ground discourages the investor and the reaction sets in. Unfortunately a collapse of this kind invariably discredits the value of undeveloped properties, and claims of undoubted merit find no market, notwithstanding the permanency and value of the mines already developed.

North East Kootenay has passed through this experience. Lower prices for undeveloped claims, and more money put into actual development work, insuring more mines, a larger output of ore and substantial and well established camps add wonderfully to the mining industry.

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FAVOR LEAD PROTECTION

In compliance with a telegram received from Kaslo a public meeting of the citizens interested in lead mining of the Windermere District was held in Wilmer Tuesday evening. W. P. Evans was elected chairman and R. R. Bruce secretary of the meeting. The resolutions passed at the Sandom meeting of silver-lead miners were read by the secretary and discussed by those present. A motion was finally made by Chas. Estmere and seconded by R. R. Bruce and unanimously carried to the effect that the meeting endorsed the resolutions passed at the Sandom meeting of miners, and further that a telegram be immediately sent to W. A. Galtier, M.P., who is now at Ottawa, acquainting him of the fact.

The resolutions referred to were printed in these columns several weeks ago, but in order that they may be better understood the following are reproduced, which is the most interesting portion:

"Having in view the interests of the producers, manufacturers and consumers of lead, we would recommend a duty equal to that imposed by the United States, viz.:

"On lead in ores, 1½ cents per pound.

"On lead in bullion, pigs, bars, and old lead, 2½ cents per pound.

"On lead in sheets, pipe, shot, etc., 2½ cents per pound.

"On white lead, etc., 2½ cents per pound.

"On all other products of lead as provided in the Dingley Tariff Act of July 24, 1897."

From information received here it is learned that an active campaign is now on in the east opposing the proposed tariff on lead, which is being placed before the Dominion Parliament and that much stress is placed upon some remarks of Mr. Smith-Curtis, of Rossland, who is opposed to the scheme, but it is not known here just on what ground he opposes it. All through Kootenay similar meetings are being held and the results telegraphed to Ottawa for the purpose of strengthening the hand of our member in the matter. The miners have sent five delegates to Ottawa and the Nelson Board of Trade two to assist Mr. Galtier in the matter.

The lead question is a serious one in Kootenay, and is one that requires much study in order to give an intelligent opinion as how to remedy the present existing depressed condition of mining lead. At the present it is not a question of politics in Kootenay, but strictly one of business. And it is worthy of mention that miners of all shades of politics met at Sandom and were unanimously in favor of protecting lead.

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You are hereby notified that we, the undersigned, have expended the sum of \$1000 in labor and improvements upon the said "Polaris" mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute the sum of \$125, your portion of such expenditures together with all costs of entry, being your interest in the said mineral claim will become the property of the undersigned. A true and correct copy of the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Mineral Act," 1902.

Dated at Wilmer, B.C., September 18th, 1902.
JOSEPH VARTON
SAM BERR.

OUR ORE SHIPMENTS

Mine	Pounds.	Value
Paradise.....	1,508,210	
" In transit.....	300,000	
Delphine.....	75,831	\$3,529.25
" In transit.....	135,500	
Red Line in transit.....	162,000	
Swansea.....	4,000	
White Cat.....	2,000	
Silver Belt.....	29,500	1,450.00
M. T. Fraction.....	31,000	2,332.25
" In transit.....	45,000	
Bonyan.....	1,000	49.00
	2,385,141	\$7,286.55

Local Croppings

You could not tell now that any good resolutions were made this year in this vicinity.

Mr. Smyth presided funeral services of Thos. Howes Sunday at Windermere and Wilmer, both services were well attended.

The Imperial Bank of Canada have staked some space on the 3rd page of this paper and state special attention is given trade from this district.

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Every Kind of Tea.

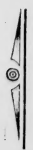
Poultry - Oysters - Apples
Cranberries - Eggs
Evaporated Fruits of All Kinds.

Salt Fish:
Herring - Mackerel - Salmon

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Everyone
Welcome.

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